WEEK THREE MONTANA at OREGON

Oregon wraps nonconference slate with 35-3 win over Montana

EUGENE, Ore. -- Justin Herbert isn't satisfied yet but he's confident that the Ducks are on the right path.

The senior quarterback threw for 316 yards and five touchdowns in No. 15 Oregon's 35-3 victory Saturday night over Montana, the Ducks' final tuneup before opening Pac-12 play at Stanford next week. Jacob Breeland and Johnny Johnson III each caught a pair of touchdowns for the Ducks (2-1), who won their 25th straight nonconference game at Autzen Stadium.

"I think we've been doing some good things and definitely some stuff we can learn and fix, but I like the direction we're going in and I like the guys who've stepped up and made plays," Herbert said.

Herbert has thrown for a touchdown in 31 straight games, the longest current streak in the nation. It was his fifth career five-touchdown game, most by an Oregon quarterback. Marcus Mariota had four.

Fifth-year senior Dalton Sneed threw for 184 yards for FCS-level Montana (2-1), which avoided its first shutout since 1988 with Brandon Purdy's 25-yard field goal late in the third quarter.

"We need to get better. We lost," Montana coach Bobby Hauck said when asked what his team can take away from the game. "We came here to win, and we didn't do it."

Oregon was coming off a 77-6 rout of Nevada that helped get the team back on track after a disappointing loss to Auburn in the season opener. Herbert also threw five TDs against the Wolf Pack and now has 11 for the season.

"We're a real brotherhood this year, and you know it's a real family on this team and I think he (Herbert) knows that and he's a big part of this family and we all look up to him," Johnson said.

Montana opened the season with wins over South Dakota and North Alabama, climbing into the STATS FCS Top 25 at No. 20. The Ducks are the second-highest ranked team the Grizzlies have faced in the modern era after a 63-7 loss to No. 7 Washington two years ago.

Montana senior receiver Jerry Louie-McGee caught six passes for 66 yards. He went into the game needing just three catches to break Raul Pacheco's career record of 192 set in 1998.

Herbert made his first $10\ \mathrm{passes}$ of the game for $113\ \mathrm{yards}$ and two scores, both to Breeland.

Oregon scored on its first drive when Herbert connected with Breeland on a 5-yard touchdown pass. Ducks linebacker Mase Funa ended Montana's opening drive when he sacked Sneed. Funa, a true freshman, went into the game with four tackles for loss to lead the Pac-12.

Breeland caught a 17-yard scoring pass before the first quarter was over to make it $14-0\mbox{.}$

As time wound down in the half, Herbert's pass on a fourth-and-1 attempt was incomplete, giving the ball to the Grizzlies on their own 45. But the drive ended when Brandon Purdy's 50-yard field goal attempt was short.

With 10 seconds left, Herbert shook off a defender for an 18-yard pass to a diving Johnson in the end zone, sending the Ducks into the break with a 21-0 lead.

"It shows how strong he is at 240 pounds, I thought he was wrapped up, the whole stadium thought he was wrapped up," Oregon coach Mario Cristobal said about Herbert's evasiveness. "He found a way to shake out of that and show how strong he really is."

Herbert found Johnson with a 1-yard TD pass in the third quarter, before a 10-yard scoring pass early in the fourth to Jaylon Redd.

Oregon was without graduate transfer Juwan Johnson for the third straight game because of a leg injury. Johnson was expected to be one of Herbert's top targets this season.

THE TAKEAWAY

Montana: The Grizzlies will make \$650,000 for the visit to Eugene. Hauck was asked about those guarantee games during him Monday news conference. ... Montana had scored 92 points in its first two games. ... Sneed, who started his career at UNLV, was the Big Sky's newcomer of the year last season, when he led the Grizzlies in both passing and rushing. He threw for 2,723 yards and 22 touchdowns while rushing for 675 yards and two more scores.

Oregon: Travis Dye led Oregon's rushers with 17 carries for 101 yards. ... The Ducks now lead the series 8-0-1 with all the games played in Eugene. The closest the Grizzlies came was a 14-all tie in 1952. ... Oregon senior point guard Peyton Pritchard announced the Ducks' starters before the game.

 ${\tt SMOOTH}$ <code>OPERATOR: Hauck, who has a connection to the Herbert family, had high praise for the senior quarterback.</code>

"His dad went to Montana for a couple of years. Mark was at Montana when we were there. I think he was a sophomore when I was a freshman," Hauck said. "He's a good player. You guys know, I talked about him all week. I had high regard for him before the game. I just think he's a smooth operator."

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MONT	0	0	3	0	3
ORE	14	7	7	7	35

Scoring Summary -----FIRST QUARTER MONT ORE TD 11:58 Jacob Breeland 5 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick) 8 plays, 75 yards, 3:02 0 7
ORE TD 0:28 Jacob Breeland 17 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick) 9 plays, 85 yards, 4:04 SECOND QUARTER MONT ORE ORE TD 0:10 Johnny Johnson III 18 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick)
5 plays, 67 yards, 0:44 THIRD QUARTER MONT ORE ORE TD 9:03 Johnny Johnson III 1 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick)

First Downs	12	30
Passes for First	11	16
Rushes for First	1	10
Penalties for First	0	4
Third Down Efficiency	6-17	6-13
Fourth Down Efficiency	1-1	1-4
Total Yards	242	560
Total Plays	64	81
Avg Gain Per Play	3.8	6.9
Net Yards Rushing	8	247
Rushes	21	38
Yards Per Rush	0.4	6.5
Net Yards Passing	234	313
Comp-Att	24-43	31-43
Yards Per Pass	5.4	7.3
Times Sacked	4	0
Yds Lost To Sacks	-20	0
Interceptions	1	0
Punts	8	3
Punt Average	38.6	42.3
Penalties	7	2
Penalty Yards	79	20
Fumbles	0	0
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Time of Poss	29:53	30:07

Individual Stats

RUSHING **Avg** 1.9 MONTANA Rush Yds LONG Marcus Knight 19 10 Jerry Louie-McGee 3 3.0 3 Nick Ostmo 2 1.0 2 Dalton Sneed Camron Humphrev -8 -8.0 0 0 OREGON **Avg** 5.9 Rush Yds TD LONG Travis Dye 17 23 Sean Dollars 3 69 23.0 0 63 Darrian Felix 40 5.0 10 9.0 Justin Herbert 11 CJ Verdell 13 2.6 0 6 Cyrus Habibi-Likio 5 1 2.5 3 Jaylon Redd 1.0

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	MONTANA	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
	Dalton Sneed	20	30	184	6.1	0	1	
	Camron Humphrey	4	13	50	3.8	0	0	
	OREGON	Comp	Att			TD	Int	
	Justin Herbert	30	42	316			0	91.4
	Tyler Shough	1	1	-3	-3.0	0	0	9.1
	RECEIVING							
	MONTANA	Rec	Yds	Avg	TI)	LONG	
	Samuel Akem	6	85	14.2	0		26	
	Jerry Louie-McGee		66	11.0	0		30	
	Samori Toure	3	26	8.7	0		16	
	Marcus Knight	4	22		0		6	
	Mitch Roberts	1	16		0		16	
	Colin Bingham	2	12	6.0	0		10	
	Gabe Sulser	1	6	6.0	0		6	
	Matthew Rensvold	1	1	1.0	0		1	
	OREGON	Rec	Yds		TI)	LONG	
	Johnny Johnson III		76	9.5	2		18	
	Jacob Breeland	5	49	9.8	2		17	
	Josh Delgado	3	35		0		18	
	Daewood Davis	3	30		0		19	
	Jaylon Redd	3 2	23	7.7	1		12	
	Travis Dye		22		0		18	
	CJ Verdell	1	21		0		21	
	Darrian Felix	1	19		0		19	
	Ryan Bay	2	19	9.5	0		10	
	Spencer Webb	1	18	18.0	0		18	
	Bryan Addison	1	4	4.0	0		4	
ı	Sean Dollars	1	-3	-3.0	0		0	